



Ms. Timberlyn E. Smith

December 27, 1957 - March 4, 2024

Timberlyn Ella Smith was born in Detroit, Michigan, on December 27, 1957. The eldest daughter of CAPT. Morris Jacob and Mrs. Freddy Mae Smith.

Timberlyn was a woman of remarkable strength and character. She also expressed enthusiastic love for her family. She lived a life full of purpose and resilience. She faced each of life's challenges with furious determination and grit.

Timberlyn embodied the Kwanzaa principle of Kujichagulia, self-determination. This self-determination was displayed throughout her education at Wheaton High School in Silver Springs, Maryland; University of Maryland, in College Park, Maryland; Hahnemann University, in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; William Jewel College, in Liberty, Missouri; University of Missouri Kansas City, in Kansas City, Missouri; continuing on in her professional career as a Chemist at Hallmark Cards, in her own business, Mustardseed Cultural and Environmental Services Kansas City Missouri and as an Adjunct Professor at both Park University and Metropolitan Community College in Kansas City Missouri.

Timberlyn used her professional skills to make an impact in her community, collaborating with the United States EPA, FAA, CHMM, the Lions Club, and the Kansas City Lead Abatement Project. Timberlyn's kindness, generosity, and compassion touched the lives of all who knew her.

She was a believer in Christ, who faithfully attended Unity Temple on the Plaza. She cherished her independence and enjoyed traveling around the world. She made scrapbooks to share memories and stories from her travels to Puerto Rico, St. Lucia, St. Thomas, the Bahamas, Jamaica, Cayman Islands and Kenya; her final adventures took her to Cancun, Mexico in January 2024. Timberlyn enjoyed fine chocolates, strawberries, and spending time with her family and friends.

Timberlyn's legacy will live on through the countless lives she has touched and the memories she has created. She was preceded in death by her father Morris Jacob Smith.

Timberlyn is survived by her loving mother, Mrs. Freddy Mae Smith of Independence, MO; brother Mr. Leonard David Vincent Smith (Rachel) of Wilmington, CA; sister Rev. Dr. Margaretta SeLena Smith Narcisse (Darryl) of Independence, MO; Godson and nephew Dr. Darryl Jacob Narcisse (Jamise) of Forth Worth, TX; niece Mrs. Michelei Denise (DeAndre) and great niece Cynia Thomas of Lynwood, CA; nephew Mr. Michael Anthony Narcisse (Allanasha) of Independence, MO; nephew Airman First Class Leonard Morris Paul (Kira) and great niece Lorena Rachel Smith of Kessler AFB, MS; nephews in love Mr. Carlos Grijalva of Clinton, IL and Mr. Antone Gonzalez of Long Beach, CA; two close friends, Karen Wells of Fort Worth, TX, Venus Kennedy of Las Vegas, NV, and spiritual leader, Rev. Sandra Campbell of

Kansas City, MO; as well as a host of relatives and friends to continue her legacy. We will deeply miss her beautiful smile and calming presence.

Timberlyn, rest in eternal peace. We will forever remember your strength, your courage, and your unwavering SPIRIT.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Sisters of Charity, Mission of Hope International, in Nairobi (Huruma), Kenya (mohintl.org).

A Memorial gathering will be held at Unity Temple on the Plaza on Saturday, March 30, 2024, from 11:30-2:30pm. Services conducted by Lawrence A. Jones & Sons. Condolences may be shared on our website.

Previous Events

Memorial Gathering

MAR 30. 11:30 AM (CT)

Unity Temple
707 W 47th St,
KC, MO 64112

Tribute Wall

FM

“ *She was a good sweet kind person! I enjoyed being in her life! She made the coolest hats..
Love light and blessings to her family
Fran Manning*

Fran Manning - April 11, 2024 at 11:08 AM

JH

“ *Jennifer H. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Ms. Timberlyn E. Smith.*

Jennifer H. - March 29, 2024 at 02:16 PM

HW

“ *I am so sorry to hear of Timberlyn's passing! I had worked with her for many years, when she would come up to Nebraska to teach for us here at the NSC, Nebraska Chapter. She was a great person, easy going and always had a smile on her face. She will be truly missed! My thoughts and prayers are with her family during this difficult time.*

Heather W. - March 29, 2024 at 11:39 AM

SC

“ *Sandra C. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Ms. Timberlyn E. Smith.*

Sandra C. - March 28, 2024 at 09:38 PM

TM

“ The Mayn's purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Ms. Timberlyn E. Smith.



The Mayn's - March 26, 2024 at 09:31 PM

TM

“ The Mayn's planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Ms. Timberlyn E. Smith.

The Mayn's - March 26, 2024 at 09:31 PM

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“ -- purchased the Strength & Solace Spray for the family of Ms. Timberlyn E. Smith.



-- - March 26, 2024 at 04:36 PM

CC

“ Chandra C. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Ms. Timberlyn E. Smith.

Chandra C. - March 18, 2024 at 09:50 AM

MF

“ Myra Harper& Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Ms. Timberlyn E. Smith.

Myra Harper& Family - March 17, 2024 at 05:07 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Ms. Timberlyn E. Smith.



March 17, 2024 at 05:07 PM

TC

“ Tanya C. planted a grove of 3 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Ms. Timberlyn E. Smith.

Tanya C. - March 14, 2024 at 08:11 AM

HJ

“ I first met Timberlyn @ UMKC, 1st year of college life. We started to converse & next thing I knew she & I were best friends. We made a pact that after graduation, we would go on a cruise, which we did. She had such a wonderful personality with a beautiful smile that lit up as soon as she walks in the room. She was there to pick me up when I was having troubled times. She was my second sister that I never had.



At this time, I want to express my deepest sympathy to her beautiful family. I will miss Timberlyn. I will forever cherish all the good & some bad times that we had & keep her in my heart always. Goodbye my beautiful friend. May our Lord keep you & guide you @ your everlasting home.

Helen Maliwat Jarquio - March 14, 2024 at 12:28 AM

FS

Thank you kindly. 🕯️

Freddye Smith - March 22, 2024 at 08:35 AM



“ Basket of Memories was purchased for the family of Ms. Timberlyn E. Smith.



March 13, 2024 at 01:28 PM

AB

“ My deepest sympathies to Timberlyn's family and friends. She worked to make her community cleaner and safer through her environmental reports for the Kansas City Brownfields Program and attending public meetings. Her wisdom and gifts greatly benefitted the community and she was a shining example to many as a skilled professional, business woman and caring community member. Her smile and warmth, however, will be missed most of all.

Andrew Bracker - March 12, 2024 at 11:50 AM

FS

Thank you kindly. Timberlyn's Family.

Freddye Smith - March 21, 2024 at 09:41 AM

KG

“ Karla Granger lit a candle in memory of Ms. Timberlyn E. Smith



Karla Granger - March 11, 2024 at 10:31 PM

KG

My condolences to the family and friends. Her smile and laughter are infectious, and can light a room. That is what I will miss most about her. RIP, pure soul.

Karla Granger - March 11, 2024 at 10:37 PM

LS

“ *Timberlyn was love. I love you for all that you have done for me. Your love guided me in adolescents, teenhood, marriage, and raising children. Thank you for touching my and my family's life. Your legacy lives in us for eternity. Love your brother*



Leonard Smith - March 11, 2024 at 10:30 PM

FS

Thank you. 🙏🏻

Freddie Smith - March 24, 2024 at 08:47 AM

AR

“ *My condolences to the family. We worked with Timberlyn for the last 15 years. I am so sorry to hear this. What a lovely person.*

amy roberts - March 11, 2024 at 06:42 PM

FS

Thank you kindly.

Freddie Smith - March 22, 2024 at 08:36 AM

LA

“ *Rest in Heavenly Peace Timberlyn...*

Lynda Anderson



Lynda Anderson - March 08, 2024 at 08:23 PM

FS

Thank you kindly. 🙏

Freddie Smith - March 22, 2024 at 08:38 AM

LK

“*Timberlyn was a member of the AHMP Heartland Chapter in Kansas City for over 30 years where she served in all positions on the board of directors including Chapter President. She was a vocal advocate for the certified hazardous materials manager (CHMM) certification and she worked in the hazardous materials field her entire career at Hallmark Cards and then starting her own firm, Mustardseed Cultural and Environmental Services. She has been an adjunct faculty instructor at Metropolitan Community College, teaching environmental science, chemistry, biology, and environmental health and safety management. Her contributions to the EHS field are notable. But more than that, Timberlyn is one of those people you will not forget. She has a pure and loving heart. Her smile and laugh are infectious. She shows up and gives her best. She is someone you can count on. I cannot think of her in the past tense as I know that beautiful soul lives on and she is reunited now with her Dad. Her memory will also live on in those of us whose lives she touched and whose friendship we will remember with love and gratitude. Laura Splichal Kelley (friend from the Heartland Chapter)*



Laura Kelley - March 05, 2024 at 06:37 PM

AM

This is a beautiful tribute to Timberlyn, Laura. She was such a beautiful soul. She will be deeply missed.

Anne Melia - March 06, 2024 at 12:21 PM

EB

I will always remember that smile and her laughter.

Evelyn Boswell - March 07, 2024 at 11:50 AM

SC

A phenomenal person and a wonderful friend. I will cherish our friendship for the rest of my life.

Sandra Campbell - March 07, 2024 at 04:19 PM



*Timberlyn was a treasured friend for many years.
I love her dearly.*
Roy Luke

Roy Luke - March 11, 2024 at 08:27 AM

KP

I only got to know Timberlyn the last few years through the AHMP chapter but her infectious laughter as we rode around the golf tournaments in the carts was something I will always cherish. So lucky to have gotten to know her. ☐

Kimberly Piepmeier - March 11, 2024 at 06:05 PM

PV

Timberlyn was a great co-worker and a even better Friend! She will be missed 😞. My sincere condolences to her family!

Patricia Vertreese - March 12, 2024 at 11:00 AM

LS

While I never talked with Timberlyn very much, you always knew when she was near you. Her aura.....her presence preceded her, and she always had people around her at events and meetings.

Never without a smile and she always seemed to be laughing. You could just tell that she LOVED life and being in the heart of all that was happening.

Lane Sekavec - March 13, 2024 at 11:07 AM

JN

Always enjoyed working with Timberlyn at the old Bendix plant. She was always so positive and encouraging at all of the AHMP meetings she will be greatly missed.

Jon Nelson - March 13, 2024 at 11:10 AM

EH

I was so sorry to learn of Timberlyn's passing. She was a wonderful colleague over many years on the board of the AHMP Heartland Chapter and contributed so much to that organization, which has meant a great deal to many of us in the Kansas City environmental consulting community.

Her work to improve the environment in our region and, more importantly, to build our profession and to teach and mentor young professionals, will continue to echo down through the years. I'll miss her insights and ideas, and most of all will miss seeing her always cheerful, smiling face at our meetings and events.

Ed Hubert - March 19, 2024 at 11:05 AM

FS

Thank you kindly. 🙏

Freddye Smith - March 22, 2024 at 08:40 AM

LM

So sorry to hear about Timberlyn. We will miss her a MCC. Our thoughts are with her family.

Lynda - MCC - March 29, 2024 at 12:02 PM